

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

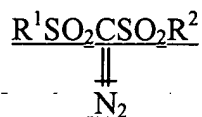
Please cancel claims 12-14 and claims 32-35 without prejudice.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

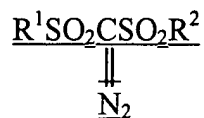
Claims 1-6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A [compound according to claim 4,] diazodisulfone compound of the formula:



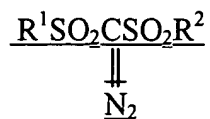
wherein R¹ is a branched alkyl group having 3 to 8 carbon atoms; and R² is a cyclic alkyl group having 3 to 8 carbon atoms.

Claim 8 (New): A diazodisulfone compound of the formula:



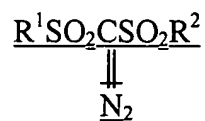
wherein R¹ is a cyclic alkyl group in which the alkyl group is hexyl; and R² is a cyclic alkyl group in which the alkyl group is hexyl.

Claim 9 (New): A diazodisulfone compound of the formula:



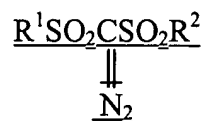
wherein R¹ is a branched alkyl group in which the alkyl group is butyl; and R² is a branched alkyl group in which the alkyl group is butyl.

Claim 10 (New): A diazodisulfone compound of the formula:



wherein R¹ is cyclohexyl; and R² is cyclohexyl.

Claim 11 (New): A diazodisulfone compound of the formula:



wherein R¹ is a branched butyl; and R² is a branched butyl.

Claim 12-35 (Canceled):